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Assistant Commissioner for Patents:

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.56 and 1.97 through 1.98, applicants wish to make known to the Patent and Trademark Office the references set forth on the attached Forms PTO-1449. This application is a continuation-in-part and relies, under 35 U.S.C. § 120, on the earlier filing date of prior Application No. 09/352,616, filed on July 13, 1999; which is a continuation-in-part of Application No. 09/288,946, filed April 9, 1999; which is a continuationin-part of Application No. 09/232,149, filed January 15, 1999; which is a continuation-in-part of Application No. 09/159,812, filed September 23, 1998; which is a continuation-in-part of Application No. 09/115,453, filed July 14, 1998; which is a continuation-in-part of Application -No. 09/030,607, filed February 25, 1998; which is a continuation-in-part of Application No. 09/020,956, filed February 9, 1998; which is a continuation-in-part of Application No.

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08/904,804, filed August 1, 1997; which is a continuation-in-part of Application No. 08/806,099, filed February 25, 1997. The references listed on the attached Forms PTO-1449 were submitted to and/or cited by the Patent and Trademark Office in these prior applications and, therefore, are not required to be provided in this application. If the Examiner wishes, copies will be provided upon request.

However, cited references EF-EM and FF-FL on pages 6 and 7 of the attached Forms PTO-1449 were not submitted to and/or cited by the Patent and Trademark Office in the above-identified applications and copies are provided herewith.

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